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SUBJECT: US FERROUS SCRAP CONTROL PROGRAM FOR 1974

REF: (A) MILAN 110; (B) STATE 15627; (C) MILAN 89

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED FORMAL REQUEST FROM GOI FOR ASSISTANCE
IN FACILITATING EXPORTS OF FERROUS SCRAP TO ITALY UNDER 172,000
TON FIRST QUARTER 74 QUOTA AND ASKING USG TO CONSIDER APPROVAL
OF ADDITIONAL AMOUNT FROM HARDSHIP RESERVE. MINISTRY FOREIGN
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AFFAIRS (MFA) PRO-MEMOIRE GIVEN TO MINISTER-COUNSELOR FOR ECONOMIC

AND COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS (ECMIN) ON JAN 31 BY RICCIULLI (DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS) CITES DIFFICULTIES DESCRIBED REFTEL C AND ADDS THAT 172,000 TON QUOTA WOULD IN ANY CASE BE INSUFFICIENT. IT ALSO STATES THAT, OF 172,000 TON QUOTA, ONLY 6,000 TONS EXPECTED TO ARRIVE IN ITALY IN NEAR FUTURE.

2. FROM PREVIOUS TRAFFIC THIS SUBJECT FROM ROME, MILAN AND EC MISSION BRUSSELS, AS WELL AS GOI APPROACHES IN WASHINGTON, WASHINGTON AGENCIES SHOULD BE FULLY AWARE HOW DEPENDENT ITALIAN STEEL INDUSTRY IS ON IMPORTED SCRAP, TRADITIONALLY LARGELY SUPPLIED FROM US. WE ARE CONCERNED THAT US LICENSING SYSTEM, IN EFFORT TO ACHIEVE EQUITY AMONG US EXPORTERS, RESULTS IN COMPOUNDING PROBLEMS AND

INCREASING COSTS FOR IMPORTERS THROUGH EXCESSIVE FRAGMENTATION OF COUNTRY QUOTAS. USG SHOULD BE PREPARED TO OFFER SOME ASSISTANCE, EVEN INCLUDING REVISION OF LICENSING SYSTEM IF NECESSARY, TO ENSURE THAT FULL QUOTAS CAN IN FACT BE SHIPPED. SUCH ASSISTANCE OR REVISION OF LICENSING SYSTEM WOULD OF COURSE BENEFIT NOT ONLY ITALY BUT OTHER MAJOR USERS OF US FERROUS SCRAP. A GOOD-WILL GESTURE OF THIS NATURE BY USG, WHICH WOULD COST US NOTHING IN TERMS OF INCREASING EXPORT QUOTAS, COULD BE USED TO IMPROVE ATMOSPHERE FOR TRADE NEGOTIATIONS.

3. IF FULL 172,000 TONS CAN IN FACT BE SHIPPED DURING FIRST QUARTER, EMBASSY DOES NOT BELIEVE WE NEED CONSIDER ADDITIONAL AMOUNT FOR ITALY UNDER HARDSHIP RESERVE.

4. RICCIULLI PRESENTED PRO-MEMORIA TO ECMIN DURING DISCUSSION GATT ARTICLE XXIV:6 NEGOTIATIONS, REMARKING THAT, SINCE ITALY WILLING ASSIST US, PERHAPS USG COULD ASSIST ITALY WITH ITS FERROUS SCRAP PROBLEM. VOLPE

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